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SUBJECT: JORDANIAN-SYRIAN AGREEMENT RE YARMOUK RIVER
WATERS

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1. WE ARE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN RECEIVING TEXT OF
JORDANIAN ROYAL DECREE (REFTEL) WHICH REPORTEDLY CONSTI-
TUTES GOJ "LEGALIZATION" OF THE 1953 JORDANIAN-SYRIAN
AGREEMENT RE UTILIZATION OF YARMOUK RIVER WATERS.

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2. WE NOTE THAT THE 1953 AGREEMENT, AS DESCRIBED BY
PROFESSOR BAXTER IN SECTION III-C OF ASIL'S DRAFT LEGAL
STUDY OF WATER RIGHTS ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH JORDAN'S
PROPOSED MAQARIN DAM-YARMOUK RIVER PROJECT, ACCORDS SYRIA
CERTAIN HYDROELECTRIC AND WATER ALLOCATION RIGHTS IN CONNEC-
TION WITH SUCH A SCHEME. WHILE WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO UNDER-

STAND BY THE JORDANIANS THAT THE SARG HAS SINCE WAIVED
THESE RIGHTS IN INTEREST OF ALLOWING THE MAQARIN PROJECT
TO GO FORWARD, WE WISH TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THIS UNDER-
STANDING IS BORNE OUT IN THE RECENT JORDANIAN DECREE.

3. WE ALSO NOTE THAT BAXTER REPORTED THAT THE 1953 AGREE-
MENT IS DUE TO BE SUPERSEDED BY A NEW JORDANIAN-SYRIAN

AGREEMENT RE UTILIZATION OF YARMOUK RIVER WATERS. WOULD
APPRECIATE ANY INFO YOU CAN SUPPLY RE STATUS OF THIS NEW
AGREEMENT AND ITS CONTENTS. VANCE

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